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E.O. 11652: GDS
SUBJECT: COMMITTEE OF 24 CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO

REF: (A) STATE 204749, (B) BAMA KO 2670

1. CHARGE MET AUGUST 23 WITH MAKAN DEMBELE, ACTING DIRECTOR-POLITICAL DIVISION, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, TO INFORM HIM OF IMPENDING COMMITTEE OF 24 CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICAN QUESTION. CHARGE MENTIONED THIS EMBASSY'S NUMEROUS CONVERSATIONS WITH GOM ON THIS QUESTION, RECALLED ASSURANCES GIVEN BY PRESIDENT TRAORE AND BY THE MINISTER AND SECRETARY GENERAL OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND HOPED THE MINISTRY HAD INSTRUCTED ITS MISSION TO THE UN REGARDING MALI'S PRESENT POSITION.

2. DEMBELE THANKED CHARGE FOR THE INFORMATION AND SAID THAT MALI'S UN MISSION HAD GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS. DETAILS OF MALI'S UN STRATEGY WERE PRESENTLY BEING DISCUSSED AND WOULD SOON BE COMMUNICATED.

3. QUESTION: THE GOM HAS REPEATEDLY ASSURED THIS EMBASSY THAT IT WILL NO LONGER BE A FLAG CARRIER FOR PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE AND WILL TRY TO AVOID DISCUSSING PUERTO RICO AT THE UN (REF B, PAR 3).

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IT HAS ALSO INDICATED THAT IT MUST MAINTAIN ITS

COMMITMENT TO PRINCIPLE. IF LAST YEAR'S DEFERRED
RESOLUTION IS BROUGHT TO A VOTE, IS MALI AUTOMATICALLY
CARRIED OVER AS A CO-SPONSOR? OR DOES SPONSORSHIP
HAVE TO BE REAFFIRMED EACH YEAR? MALI MIGHT WELL
SAVE ITS NON-ALIGNED FACE BY CLAIMING TO BE CAUGHT
BY PREVIOUS AGREEMENTS.

IN ANY CASE, SIGNS THAT MALI IS ACTIVELY
SUPPORTING THE C-24 RESOLUTION WOULD INDICATE THAT
THE MALIAN UN MISSION'S INSTRUCTIONS ARE NOT FIRM
OR THAT MALI IS RETRACTING ITS ASSURANCES. EMBASSY
WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INSIGHTS USUN HAS ON ACTIVITY
IN MALIAN CAMP.
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